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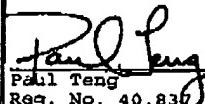
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For: OPTICAL DATA RECORDING MEDIUM AND MATERIAL FOR HEAT-  
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JUNE 15, 2004 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to the final Office Action dated June 15, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims section which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.